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MEMORANDUM FOR: ADPC

SUBJECT: Intelligence Support for Psychological Warfare

1. At Mr. Phillips' policy meeting held this morning, Colonel Ott stated that there was considerable intelligence information concerning tension and growing bad feeling between the Chinese Communist forces in Korea and the North Korean government together with North Korean armed forces. Colonel Ott wondered whether active measures could be taken to capitalize on this situation.

2. Mr. Phillips stated that existing guidance called for the exploitation of such a situation, but that he personally was unaware of this considerable amount of evidence to which Colonel Ott referred. Mr. Phillips then went on to state that the existing intelligence support for psychological warfare operations could be greatly improved in that, while there may be a considerable body of factual information extremely useful to propagandists, such intelligence information was either not readily declassified or declassifiable and, furthermore, was not then made readily available to the propagandists. He made reference to the existing VOA military commentaries on the Korean situation and said that if adequate and timely intelligence was declassified and made available, such commentaries could be greatly improved.

3. With regard to immediate capitalization concerning the present cleavage between the Chinese and North Koreans in North Korea, I have discussed this with [redacted]

4. With regard to achieving better intelligence support for psychological warfare operations, it is suggested that this particular situation be brought to the attention of Mr. James Reber, Assistant Director for Intelligence Coordination, so that appropriate measures may be taken to insure that an adequate flow of intelligence information is not only declassified for propaganda use but that, insofar as lies within the power of the intelligence mechanism, it then be made available to the propagandists.

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